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MR. SECRETARY NO WORDS CAN ADEQUATELY EXPRESS MY SHOCK AND SORROW OVER THIS TRAGEDY. THE US HAS LOST A GREAT PRESIDENT AND THE WORLD AN ARDENT DETERMINED FIGHTER FOR PEACE STOP THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY IS A TRAGIC LOSS TO ALL MEN WHO WANT TO LEAVE IN FREEDOM STOP THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL MOURN THIS DEATH TOGETHER WITH ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD STOP I SHALL NEVER FORGET THE IMPACT OF HIS PERSONALITY WHEN I WAS PRIVILEGED TO HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH HIM LAST YEAR STOP OUR FIRST THOUGHTS ARE THOSE OF PROFOUND SYMPATHY FOR MRS KENNEDY AND THE LATE PRESIDENTS FAMILY AND FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE US STOP SINCERELY

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